REMARKS:

The Office action mailed July 13, 2007 has been received and carefully considered. A request for continued examination is filed herewith. In view of the Request for Continued Examination and the following, reconsideration is respectfully requested.

In particular, it is urged that applicant has submitted credible evidence of conception of the invention before the filing of the Morrison 102e cited art and reduction to practice of a closure with reverse angle threads prior to the filing date of the Morrison application. Submitted with the Declaration of the Invention dated March 12, 2007 are photographs of a closure with a reverse angle thread, as called for in the claims and that was made in the United States in the Summer of 1997 or prior to August 31, 1997.

Consequently, the invention was conceived of and reduced to practice prior to August 31, 1997 which was prior to the effective filing date of Morrison of November 9, 1998.

The Office action indicates that the Declarations of Dr.

Jackson are ineffective in overcoming the Morrison reference as they fail to establish practice of the invention in this country or a NAFTA or WTO member country prior to the effective date of the Morrison reference. However, the Office action provides no reason or support for this statement. As it is believed that the Declaration clearly provides evidence for the practice of the

invention prior to the filing of Morrison, reconsideration is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone, if prosecution of this application can be expedited thereby.

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